

The season record, when looked at hastily, seemed to have been rather an unsuccessful one, but Lew was very pleased at the showing his boys made. Lacking confidence, and not being accustomed to each other, the Terriers tied their first two games, and then went on to lose five straight. Last in the string of five losses was the 23-0 defeat by Brooklyn College. (It was during this game that the Franciscans proved that they were playing their first year of organized ball.)

Following that game the Terriers traveled to New York to down the Newark Branch of Rutgers University, 6-5. The season ended with another victory over Rutgers, this time at Sherwood Oval under the arc-lights, by a 9-5 count. This was, also, the first game played by a collegiate nine at night. The game was highlighted by the excellent pitching of Bill Reilly, who went all the way, giving up but six hits and walking only three.

The 1947 season ended with a record of 2 wins, 6 losses, and 2 ties. Rain caused the washout of 7 of the 17 contests.

The season was highlighted by the stellar performance of Dick Murphy, who covered centerfield like a blanket and led the Terriers at bat with a .333 average. Dick also connected for the most two-base hits, 6. The laurels for driving in the most runs were shared by Hal Grady and Steve Ferraro, each with 5 to his credit.

At the conclusion of the season, the Terriers fielding sharpened, for they executed 11 twinkillings, with Hal Grady turning in one unassisted double play.

The first practise of the current season saw a turnout of about 50 hopefuls. Of that number sixteen are holdovers from last year's squad; only four men were lost by graduation. The biggest loss was felt behind the plate where Gus Cammeyer and Charlie Silva performed last year. Both men received their sheepskins in February. Cammeyer still has his finger in the baseball pie, for this year Gus will catch for the Erie, Pennsylvania Club, a Giant farm team. Other losses were Steve Ferraro, fleet shortstop, and Fred "Lefty" Cavanagh, who was given credit for the first victory over Rutgers last year.

Not having competed in the diamond sport for the requisite number of years, we were unable to enter the Metropolitan Collegiate League this year. However, of the 12 metropolitan schools in the League, 8 of them appeared on the Terrier's schedule.



